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M.1 52.217-5 EVALUATION OF OPTIONS (JUL 1990)

Except when it is determined in accordance with FAR 17.206(b) not to be in the Government's best interests, the Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

M.2 ORO M01 EVALUATION GENERAL -- GENERAL (MAY 1997)

- (a) Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with applicable DOE and Federal acquisition policies and procedures. Evaluation will be performed in accordance with the criteria stated herein.
- (b) DOE may solicit from available sources, including references and clients identified by the offeror, experience and past performance data of an offeror of key personnel; and will consider such information in its evaluation.
- (c) The government intends to use non-federal personnel to provide assistance with this procurement.
- (d) Award will be made to the responsible offeror(s), whose offer(s), conforming to this solicitation, is (are) considered the best value to the Government, considering the Evaluation Criteria in this Section M.
- (e) DOE intends to conduct written and/or oral discussions with all offerors whose offers are in the competitive range. The extent of discussions with the offerors in the competitive range will depend on the circumstances of the procurement and the offerors' proposals as submitted. The written and/or oral discussions are intended to assist the Source Evaluation Board in accomplishing (1) a full understanding of the offers and their strengths and deficiencies based upon the individual efforts of each offeror; and (2) assurance that the meanings and points of emphasis of solicitation provisions have been adequately conveyed to the offerors. Once discussions have been held with all firms in the competitive range, those firms will be offered the opportunity to submit a revised proposal by a common cutoff time and date. That is, all firms will be given the opportunity to revise their offer to reflect the results of discussions. If the revised proposal is received after the established common cutoff time or date, it shall be handled in accordance with FAR 52.215-1, Instructions to Offerors - Competitive Acquisition. Each revised proposal shall contain the signed contract offer of the proposer.

M.3 ORO M05 EVALUATION CRITERIA (ALTERNATE I) (MAY 1997)

- a. Technical and Business Management Criteria. Technical aspects of proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the following criteria.

1. Proposed Technical Approach -

DOE will evaluate the feasibility and completeness of the overall project management plan, including:

- a. the proposed plan for processing and repackaging the ^{233}U to render it suitable for safe, long term, economical storage (including the elimination of the need for criticality and safeguards and security controls), and how it resolves DNFSB Recommendation 97-1;
- b. the proposed plan for the operation of Building 3019A in accordance with the requirements of the statement of work;
- c. the proposed plan for commercial beneficial use of the extracted ^{229}Th , and the degree to which it meets DOE's objectives to increase the availability of ^{225}Ac to support cancer research and treatment;
- d. the proposed plan for placing Building 3019A in safe and stable shutdown and meeting endpoint specifications included in the statement of work;
- e. the proposed approach for security, and control and accountability of special nuclear material.
- f. the proposed plan for securing all necessary permits and licenses to accomplish the scope of work.

2. Relevant Experience

DOE will evaluate the amount and quality of the offeror's relevant experience in performing projects similar in technology, scope, complexity, and risk to that in the statement of work. Also, the offeror's key personnel will be evaluated on their relevant experience, qualifications, and demonstrated performance. For purposes of the experience evaluation, DOE will evaluate the experience of the offeror and its major subcontractors. In the case of a newly formed joint venture, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or other similar entity formed for the purpose of competing for this contract, DOE will evaluate relevant experience of the entities that comprise the newly formed entity.

3. Environment, Safety, and Health

DOE will evaluate: (1) the degree to which the offeror's approach to Environment, Safety, and Health complies with applicable ES&H laws, regulations, and DOE directives; (2) the offeror's past record of ES&H performance; and (3) the proposed technical approach to determine if it represents an environmentally acceptable approach.

4. Past Performance

For the purpose of evaluation of past performance information, offerors shall be defined as business arrangements and relationships such as joint ventures, teaming partners and major subcontractors. DOE will evaluate the offeror's past performance on the basis of information furnished by the offeror's customers on contracts (including

current contracts) similar in size, scope and complexity to the work described in the Statement of Work. References other than those identified by the offeror may also be contacted by DOE. DOE may evaluate past performance on fewer than the total number of contracts if all the completed questionnaires are not returned. Performance information will be used for both responsibility determinations and as an evaluation factor against which offerors' relative rankings will be compared to assure best value to the government. If the offeror does not have a record of relevant past performance information or if such information is not available, the offeror will be evaluated neither favorably nor unfavorably. In the case of a newly formed joint venture, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or other similar entity formed for the purpose of competing for this contract, DOE will evaluate the past performance of the entities that comprise the newly formed entity.

- b. Price. The offeror's price proposal, supporting data, and price assumptions will be evaluated to determine price realism, price reasonableness and the offeror's understanding of the contract requirements. The price proposal will not be point scored, but will be considered consistent with the provision in this Section M.

M.4 PRICE RELATED FACTORS (DEC 2000)

The following price related factor(s) other than the proposed price will be considered in evaluating proposals and awarding the contract:

The cost to the Government for providing security services at the Building 3019A complex will be added to the proposed price. The amount will be estimated by the Government based on information contained in the offeror's proposal in accordance with the information identified in Provision L.22(g).

M.5 OVERALL RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF EVALUATION CRITERIA (DEC 2000)

The relative weight of each criterion is shown below. The technical and business management proposal will be point scored; the price proposal will not be. The Government intends to award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose proposal conforms to the solicitation and is evaluated as the best value to the Government. The technical and business management proposal is significantly greater in importance than the price proposal. The evaluated price may become increasingly more important as the technical proposals of the offerors are evaluated as more equivalent. The Government will assess whether the strengths and weaknesses between or among competing technical proposals indicates a superiority from the standpoint of: (1) what the difference might mean in terms of anticipated performance; and (2) what the evaluated price to the Government would be to take advantage of the difference. The Government will also evaluate the technical, environmental, schedule, financial capability, and cost risks associated with each proposal. A risk associated with any given proposal that is evaluated as being unusually high to the Government may cause that proposal to be eliminated from further consideration or may rank it lower than a competing proposal with lower evaluated risk(s).

1. Proposed Technical Approach
 - a. Proposed Plan for Processing and Repackaging of ^{233}U - 20%
 - b. Proposed Plan for the Operation of Building 3019A - 15%
 - c. Proposed Plan for Commercial Beneficial Use of the Extracted ^{229}Th - 10%
 - d. Proposed Plan for Placement of Building 3019A in Safe and Stable Shutdown - 10%
 - e. Proposed Approach for Security/Control and Accountability of Special Nuclear Material - 5%
 - f. Proposed Plan for Securing all Necessary Permits and Licenses - 5%
2. Relevant Experience - 15%
3. Environment, Safety, and Health - 15%
4. Past Performance - 5%